

## Clopidogrel Lupin

Active ingredient(s): clopidogrel (as hydrogen sulfate)

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### Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about using Clopidogrel Lupin. **You should also speak to your doctor or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about using Clopidogrel Lupin.**

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#### 1. Why am I using Clopidogrel Lupin?

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**Clopidogrel Lupin contains the active ingredient clopidogrel (as hydrogen sulfate).** Clopidogrel Lupin belongs to a group of medicines called antiplatelet medicines.

Platelets are very small blood cells which clump together during blood clotting. By preventing this clumping, anti-platelet medicines reduce the chances of blood clots forming (a process called thrombosis).

**Clopidogrel Lupin is used to prevent blood clots forming in hardened blood vessels (a process known as atherothrombosis) which can lead to events such as stroke, heart attack or death.**

You may have been prescribed Clopidogrel Lupin to help prevent blood clots forming and to reduce the risk of stroke, heart attack and death because:

- you have previously suffered a heart attack, stroke or have a condition known as peripheral arterial disease (leg pain on walking or at rest); or
- you have suffered Acute Coronary Syndrome (either a severe type of chest pain called unstable angina, or a heart attack). In this case you may also be prescribed aspirin.

Some patients may not convert Clopidogrel Lupin to its active form as well as other patients. These patients may not get the same benefit from Clopidogrel Lupin. Your doctor may advise you to go for tests to determine if Clopidogrel Lupin will adequately work for you. Based on the test results, your doctor may change your dose of Clopidogrel Lupin or consider alternative treatments for you.